Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

A truck tractor is a power unit that pulls a semi-trailer. A farm truck tractor is a truck tractor that is owned or leased and operated by a farmer (refers to a specific statutory definition); used exclusively for transportation of supplies, farm equipment and products on the owner's own farm or between his or her farms, farm products from the owner's farm to market, and supplies to his or her farm; and is exempt from payment of heavy vehicle use tax imposed by section 4481 of the internal revenue code.

A farm truck tractor has a special reduced registration fee, which is ½ of the amount of a truck tractor having the same gross weight. For example, a truck tractor registered at 80,000 lbs pays \$1987.50 in annual registration fee; a farm truck tractor registered at 80,000 lbs pays \$510.50 in annual registration fee.

AB 710 exempts from registration a farm truck tractor that is, at the time of operation, transporting manure, grains, silage, haylage, or equipment between fields or between farm and field, or is being operated from its point of purchase to the operator's farm.

It is likely that only a portion of farm truck tractors would be eligible for registration exemption under AB 710:

- § Registration exemption is determined by conditions at the time of operation.
- § Therefore, to be exempt from registration, any time the farm truck tractor is on the highway, it must be either o transporting one of the enumerated products among the owner's farms/fields, or
- o being operated from the point of purchase to the owner's farm.
- § If the farm truck tractor is transporting anything else when it is on the highway, it must be registered. Farm truck tractor fee is ¼ of the regular registration fee.
- § The above constraint means that only a farm truck tractor dedicated solely to the enumerated purposes when operated on-highway could be exempt from registration.

There are currently 1,675 farm truck tractors registered in Wisconsin. 77% are registered at 80,000 lbs., the highest weight category.

If 10% of all farm truck tractors were eligible for registration exemption under AB 710, that would be 167 vehicles that currently pay farm truck tractor registration fees, which no longer would need to be registered. Assume that these vehicles were distributed by weight in the same distribution as all farm truck tractors. The total registration revenue loss to the Transportation Fund would be \$75,700 annually.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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